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POSSIBILITIES TOLD BY BARRETT

Director-General of Pan-American Union Addresses Trade Conference.

BIG OPPORTUNITY TO INCREASE COMMERCE

Speakers Agree That European War Places Opportunity in Hands of United States.

SESSION CLOSES WITH DINNER

Chairman William H. White Names Committee to Perfect Plans to Extend Business

Speaking as an officer of the governments of twenty Lutin-American countries and as the personal representative of the presidents of those national divisions of the great southern continent, John Barrett, director-general of the Pan-American Union, stirred the conference of business men on trade extension in South and Central America to unbounded enthusiaem and immediate action yesterday afternoon when he painted before their vision a colorful pleture of the possibilities which lie at the southern gateway of the United States.

At he measured in concrete terms the opportunity for a tremendous increase in the foreign commerce of this country Mr. Harrett pointed out also that it was to dream of another Golconda that he was reviewing, that the harvest was to the seed and that its reaping would require careful and constant till his if it were to be garnered by North North Park Park 1981. or if it were to be garnered by North an erlean hands. He said that the La -American countries on account c war in Europe were undergoing reat financial stringency and that the nited Status, if it desired to open up as new-blooming field, would have to stend to its sister republics a credit stom equal to that which has been exceed to the nations of the far South by the financial agencies of Europe. But the opportunity is there is no state of the state the financial agencies of Europe. But the opportunity is there, he said, "the scatest opportunity which the United states has ever had; but you must go after it and keep on going after it until you have gotten it."

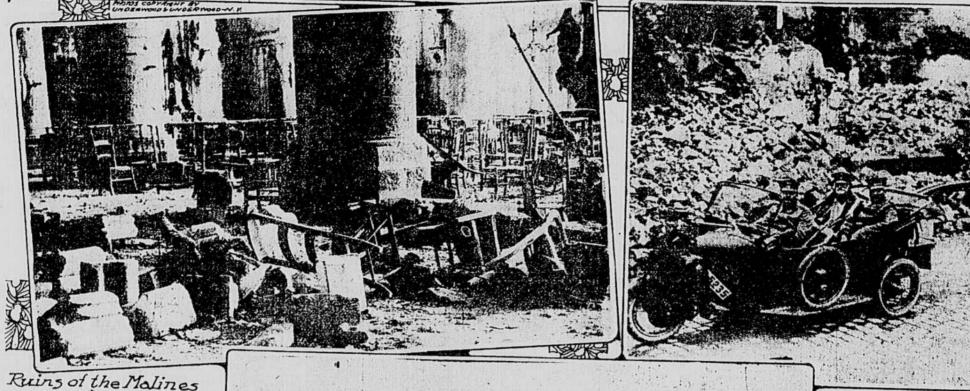
WAR PLACES OPPORTINITY

IN AMERICANS HANDS.

Other speakers who followed Mr. Barricht agreed that the opportunity was intesent and that it should be accepted, and John R. Arnold, vice-president of

resent and that it should be accepted and John R. Arnold, vice-president of the Foreign Trades Division of the Chiengo Association of Commerce and an officer of the First National Bank of Chiengo, said that it was but fair and chiengo, said that it was but fair and that the weshould make use of the forportunity which the unfortunate war in Europe has placed in our hands." And it was Mr. Arnold who opened up a new vista of prosperity when he told of what the Chiengo Association of Commerce is doing in the way of opening up the Mississippi Valley and the Southeast. "And what we are doing there," he said "we are also doing for

GERMAN RIGHT REPORTED BROKEN, WITH ALLIED ARMY IN HOT PURSUIT



Cathedral .~ Interior view of St. Rombold's

Cathedral at Malines after the Ger-man shells had completely destroyed its priceless treasures. The cathedral was begun in the twelfth century and completed in the fifteenth, with the exception of the tower.

LITTLETON AND **GLASS ON PROGRAM**

Secretary Farnsworth Announces Program for Bankers' Convention.

APPROVES ARRANGEMENTS

Members of Federal Reserve Board and Other Distinguished Men Are to Take Part.

as much for you District of Virginia, will be the prinourselves, and we believe that cipal speakers on the third day of the cipal speakers on the third day of the American Bankers' Association conven-Called primarily to discuss extension tion—the first of the two days that trade in the far Southern countries, will be devoted to the general busice conference engaged in the discus-



Congressman Martin W LitSeeman shells which swept through the one-time capital of Imperial Flanders on their mission of destruction.
The famous church of St. Martin (its tower and spire are seen rising above the ruins), one of the largest and PARIS, September 29.—The Germans PARIS, September 29.—The Germans are considerably dam.

MASS-MEETING TO AID

KING COTTON'S PLIGHT

finest in Belgium, is but little damaged, though practically all the surrounding buildings are considerably dam-

German officers before ruins left by Haiser's forces at Dinant. Lieutenant-Colonel Boeger (smooth

faced man in auto) arriving at Dinant to take charge of the Belgian city as its German commandant. The bearded man seated next to him is a German professor, charged with the reorganization of the schools there.

EVERY ASSAULT MEETS REPULSE

Allies Are Pushing German Invaders Back Toward Belgium.

FRENCH REGAINS GROUND

Unofficial Report Says Von Kluck's Army Is in Full

were defeated at every point of contact to-day, and the allies were able to make further appreciable progress.
In a desperate effort to break In a desperate effort to break through the allies' eft, repeated countries the countries of the countries of

MASS—MEETING TO AID
COTTON—BUTNES PLICAT
CONTINUES PLICAT

TO BE IN FLIGHT WITH HIS TROOPS

Invaders Surrounded in Somme Department, and Peronne Recaptured.

RUMORS AT VARIANCE WITH OFFICIAL REPORT

War Office at London Permits Publication Neither Affirming nor Denying.

ACTIVITY IN FAR

British and Japanese Take Position Commanding Germans' Main Line of Defense.

Officials Are Silent As To Reported Retreat

While the French and British of-

While the French and British official announcements indicate satisfaction with the situation along the
battle front in France and confidence in the outcome, an unofficial
report from Parls declares the German right has been broken, and is
being pursued by the allies.

This report also declares the Germans have been surrounded in the
Somme department, and that Peronne had been recaptured.

The official press bureau at London, while making no objection to
the publication of these reports, declined to take any responsibility for
their correctness.

Announcement inte at night by
both French and British officials
declared there had been no change
in the situation which they previously had reported as favoring the
allied army to some degree.

A narrative from Field Marshal
Sir John French's headquarters, issued at London by the official press
bureau, gives the reason for the
long-draym-out battle, which has
lasted clighteen days. "The extent
of the country covered," it says, "ia
so great as to render slow any efforts to manoeuvre and march
around the flank in order to escape
the costly expedient of a frontal attack against heavily fortified positions."

This refers to the fiercely cou This refers to the fiercely con-tested operations of the allies' left in an endeavor to outlank the tier-man right wing under tieneral von Kluck. In these operations French and British, heavily reinforced, have been engaged for several days, and the encounters at times are reported to have been unprecedented.